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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
LEGISLATIVE REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

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TO: Legislative Liaison Officer

Department of Defense

Department of State

Department of Justice

Central Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT: FCC's proposed letter on S. 920, incorporating an understanding on security aspects of the bill

Chairman, Subcommittee on Communications
Senate Commerce Committee
Washington, D. C. 20510

The Bureau of the Budget would appreciate receiving the views of your agency on this subject before advising on its relationship to the program of the President.

On September 11, 1963, a conference was held with representatives of the Departments of State, Justice and Defense, Bureau of the Budget and the Federal Communications Commission. In order to permit expeditious coordination and clearance in accordance with Circular A-19, it is requested that your reply be made within thirty (30) days.

At that meeting, it was tentatively agreed among the staff representatives present that S. 920 should be made more specific with respect to national security matters and that your views be received as soon as possible. Special circumstances require that this be handled as a priority matter and that your views be received as soon as possible.

Questions should be referred to Roy R. Coffin, Assistant Director for Legislative Reference, Bureau of the Budget, code 115, extension 22245.

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Provided, That with respect to national security, the Commission shall determine, on the basis of information received from private agencies of Government, that no information before it necessitates denial of the request.

And provided further, That, when an application for information is received by the Commission, it shall not be referred to the Assistant Director for Legislative Reference for a determination as to whether such information is in the possession of the Commission as will permit the foregoing determination to be made.

Enclosures

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